GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
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CRIME AGAINST WOMEN CELL
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the objectives behind the setting up of the Crime Against Women Cell by the Delhi Police;

(b) whether it is a fact that credibility of this Cell amongst the harassed women is at Stake;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)to(c): The crime Against Women Cell was set up to deal with complaints relating to matrimonial disputes, demand of dowry, cruelty by husband and in-laws, unnatural deaths of women due to dowry demands, rape and any other case of crime against women. The Crime Against Women Cell has to a great extent succeeded in eliciting positive response and cooperation from women victims.

(d): The Steps taken by Delhi Police to streamline the functioning of Crime against Women Cell include:

(i) Eminent social workers, psychologists, Jurists, professors and Non-Government Organisations are associated/invited to join the investigation of cases of crime against women and for counselling victims and affected parties.

(ii) In the staff of Crime against women Cells, 90% women police officers with good educational back ground have been posted to instill/a sense of security/confidence in the minds of the victims and also for better understanding of the problems faced by the women.

(iii) Gender sensitization courses are being conducted for the staff of Crime against women cell.

(iv) Crime against women cells have also been set up in every Police District of Delhi as far as possible under supervision of a woman police officer of the rank of Inspector/Assistant Commissioner of Police to effectively deal with these complaints at District level.

(v) Regular meetings, seminars etc. are held to improve the working of Crime against women cell and to adopt new methods of investigation and counselling in the cases of crime against women.